

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 25 through 28 and 33 without prejudice or disclaimer of their subject matter, and amend claims 4, 5 and 24, as follows:

1 1. (Previously presented) A washing machine comprising:
2 a tank accommodating an article to be washed and water, said tank having a first
3 opening;
4 a heater heating the water in the tank;
5 a circulation pump circulating the water in the tank; and
6 a cover covering said first opening of the tank, said cover having at least one
7 projection protruding inwardly the tank whereby said at least one projection prevents the
8 article from floating during washing.

1 2. (Previously presented) The washing machine according to claim 1, further
2 comprising:
3 a cabinet accommodating and supporting the tank, said cabinet having a second
4 opening corresponding to said first opening;
5 said cover provided at the upper part of the cabinet; and
6 a controller controlling the heater to heat the water in the tank and controlling the
7 circulation pump to circulate the water.

1 3. (Previously presented) The washing machine according to claim 2, further
2 comprising an input unit inputting a washing course into said controller according to a
3 washing material, and wherein the controller adjusts an operating time and a suspension time
4 of the circulating pump according to the inputted washing course.

1 4. (Currently Amended) The washing machine according to claim ~~[[3]]~~ 2, further
2 comprising an input unit inputting a washing course into said controller, wherein the
3 controller controls the heater according to the inputted washing course to adjust a washing
4 temperature.

1 5. (Currently Amended) The washing machine according to claim ~~[[3]]~~ 2, further
2 comprising an input unit inputting a boiling course into said controller, wherein ~~the washing~~
3 ~~course includes a boiling course~~ said controller controls the heater according to the inputted
4 boiling course.

1 6. (Previously presented) The washing machine according to claim 1, further
2 comprising circulation pipes comprising a suction pipe and a discharge pipe, said suction
3 pipe guiding the water from one part of the tank to the circulation pump, said discharge pipe
4 guiding the water from the circulation pump to another part of the tank.

1 7. (Previously presented) The washing machine according to claim 6, wherein the

2 discharge pipe has at least one spray hole for spraying the water in the tank.

1 8. (Previously presented) The washing machine according to claim 7, further
2 comprising a spray plate provided at the lower part of the discharge pipe and having a
3 plurality of holes for evenly supplying the water into the tank.

1 9. (Previously presented) The washing machine according to claim 6, wherein the
2 height of the suction pipe is higher than the height of the heater.

1 10. (Previously presented) The washing machine according to claim 1, wherein the
2 heater is comprised of a heater being at the below part of the tank.

1 11. (Previously presented) The washing machine according to claim 6, further
2 comprising:

3 a water supply pipe having a first end connected to a water supply source outside the
4 cabinet, and a second end connected to the tank; and

5 a water supply valve provided in the water supply pipe, adjusting a flow in the supply
6 pipe.

7 12. (Previously presented) The washing machine according to claim 6, further
8 comprising:

9 a drain pipe having a first end connected to a drain source outside the cabinet, and a

10 second end connected to the suction pipe; and

11 a drain valve provided in the drain pipe, adjusting a flow in the drain pipe.

1 13. (Previously presented) The washing machine according to claim 11, further
2 comprising:

3 a drain pipe having a first end connected to a drain source outside the cabinet, and a
4 second end connected to the suction pipe; and

5 a drain valve provided in the drain pipe, adjusting a flow in the drain pipe.

1 14. (Previously presented) The washing machine according to claim 6, further
2 comprising:

3 a drain pipe having a first end connected to a drain source outside the cabinet, and a
4 second end connected to the tank; and

5 a drain pump provided in the drain pipe, draining out the water from the tank.

1 15. (Previously presented) The washing machine according to claim 11, further
2 comprising:

3 a drain pipe having a first end connected to a drain source outside the cabinet, and a
4 second end connected to the tank; and

5 a drain pump provided in the drain pipe, draining out the water from the tank.

1 16. (Previously presented) The washing machine according to claim 1, wherein
2 outside the tank is provided an insulating material.

1 Claims 17-23. (Canceled)

1 24. (Currently Amended) A washing machine comprising:
2 a tank accommodating water, said tank having [[an]] a first opening, said tank having
3 a partition to divide a space within said tank into a first space and a second space, said
4 partition having a hole, said first and second spaces communicating with each other through
5 said hole, said first space accommodating an article to be washed;
6 a heater mounted in said second space to heat the water in said tank;
7 a pump circulating the water from said second space to said first space;
8 an input unit mounted on said washing machine to input a washing course, said
9 washing course comprising a cycle of a predetermined suspension time, ~~and~~ a predetermined
10 operation time of said pump, and a predetermined water temperature; [[and]]
11 a controller controlling the heater and said pump to heat adjust a temperature of the
12 ~~water, said controller controlling said pump~~ according to the inputted washing course;
13 a cabinet accommodating and supporting the tank, said cabinet having a second
14 opening corresponding to said first opening; and
15 a cover arranged at the upper part of the cabinet, and having at least one pushing
16 projection arranged inside said cover and protruding inward the tank.

Claims 25-28. (Canceled)

1 29. (Previously presented) The washing machine according to claim 24, further
2 comprising:

3 a first pipe guiding the water from said second space of the tank to said pump; and

4 a second pipe guiding the water from the pump to said first space of the tank.

1 30. (Previously presented) The washing machine according to claim 29, wherein the
2 second pipe has at least one spray hole for spraying the water in the first space of the tank.

1 31. (Previously presented) The washing machine according to claim 29, further
2 comprising a plate removably mounted on said first space of the tank, said plate having a
3 plurality of holes for evenly supplying the water from said second pipe into the first space
4 of the tank.

1 32. (Previously presented) The washing machine according to claim 29, wherein the
2 first pipe communicates with said second space of the tank at a position higher than a
3 position of the heater.

Claim 33. (Canceled)

1 34. (Previously presented) The washing machine according to claim 29, further
2 comprising:
3 a third pipe communicating with the tank to drain the water in the tank.